GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH

<u>ABSTRACT</u>

Horticulture Department - Oil Palm Development Programme - Fixation of the minimum procurement price of Rs.5,000/- per MT for the Oil Palm Fresh Fruit Bunches for the period from 1.3.2009 to 30.4.2009 and sanction of an amount of Rs.2.34 Crores towards State Share (ie., 50% of Rs.4,67,65,645/-) under Market Intervention Scheme for compensating the loss to the Oil Palm farmers - Orders - Issued.

AGRICULTURE AND COOPERATION (HORTI.) DEPARTMENT

G.O.Ms.No.176

Dt:15-7-2009.
Read the following:

- 1. Govt.D.O.letter 129/APC/2008, dt. 11.12.2008 addressed to Government of India,
- From Director(Coop),GOI, Ministry of Agriculture, Dept. of Agri. & Coop.,Letter F.No. 45016 /27/2008-MPS,dt9/18.3.2009 & dt.27.3.2009.
- 3. From COH, AP.,Hyd. Lr.No.OP/365/08, dt. 8.4.2009.

ORDER:-

In the reference 1st read above, Government of Andhra Pradesh have requested the Government of India, to provide minimum support price of Rs. 5000/-per MT of Oil Palm Fresh Fruit Bunches under Market Intervention Scheme from 1.11.2008 to 30.4.2009, as there was steep fall in the prices of Oil Palm Fresh Fruit Bunches and to support the farmers by providing minimum support price for oil palm.

- 2. In the reference 2nd read above, Government of India have conveyed their approval for procurement of Fresh Fruit Bunches of Oil Palm under Market Intervention Scheme for the period from 1.3.2009 to 31.3.2009 with a price of Rs.5,000/- per Metric Ton. The loss is restricted to Rs.1250/- and has to be borne by Government of Andhra Pradesh and Government of India each on 50: 50 basis. Again the Government of India was requested to extend the the minimum Procurement Price of Rs.5,000/- for the month of April, 2009 also for the benefit of the farmers of Oil Palm. Accordingly, Government of India, have conveyed their approval for extending the period of procurement of Fresh Fruit Bunches of Oil Palm under Market Intervention Scheme upto 30.4.2009 and the conditions mentioned in their earlier letter dt.18.3.2009 are unchanged.
- 3. In the reference 3rd read above, the Commissioner of Horticulture has submitted the proposal for sanction an amount of Rs.4, 67, 648/- for the acutual total quanity of Fresh Fruit Bunches received ie., 37, 412.52 Metric Tons towards Market Intervension Scheme for compensating the loss to Oil palm farmers for the period of 1.3.2009 to 30.4.2009 (ie., @ Rs.2,33,82,824/- "Rs.2,33, 82, 824/- each to be borne by Govt. of AP and Govt. of India on 50: 50 basis)
- 4. After careful examination of the entire matter, Government hereby fix the minimum procurement price of Rs.5,000/- per MT for the Oil Palm Fresh Fruit Bunches for the period from 1.3.2009 to 30.4.2009 as conveyed by the Government

of India and also to sanction an amount of Rs.2.34 Crores towards State Share (ie., 50% of Rs.4,67,65,645/-) in relaxation of the terms and conditions stipulated by Ministry of Agriculture, Government of India vide reference read above and also in anticipation of reimbursement of their share by Government of India, subject to availability of Budget funds with Director of Horticulture, Andhra Pradesh, Hyderabad.

5. The Director of Horticulture, Andhra Pradesh, Hyderabad, shall take further necessary action in the matter.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

PANKAJ DWIVEDI, APC & SPECIAL CHIEF SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT

To

The Director of Horticulture, Andhra Pradesh, Hyderabad.

The Accountant General, Andhra Pradesh, Hyderabad.

The Pay and Accounts Officer, Hyderabad.

The Director of Treasuries and Accounts, Hyderabad.

The Finance (Exp.A&C) Dept.

The Special Secretary to CM

The P.S. to M(Agri. & Horti.)

The AP State Oil Palm Farmers Welfare Association through Director of Horticulture, Andhra Pradesh, Hyderabad.

The Finance (Exp.A&C) Department.

SC/SF.

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